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Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and Underwater Preserve Attention: Public Comment / Jeff Gray 500 W Fletcher Street Alpena MI 49707

To All Concerned:

The Rogers City Travelers & Visitors Bureau is encouraged by the proposed expansion of the "Marine Sanctuary" designation into near waters. For several years we have noted increasing visits by recreational divers to our lodging facilities.

Our community is fortunate to possess great proximity to Lake Huron's historic treasures and an attractive harbor from which to launch nautical adventures. The revenues this "new tourism" generates would be always welcome, but now especially to sustain and meet our obligations to the Rogers City Area economy.

-- We Are In Full Support!

Sincerely,

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